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Exhibit of Civil War Maps Now on View at the Library

Bird's-eye view of Chesapeake Bay region, John Bachmann, New York, c. 1861.

An exhibition of maps relating to the American Civil War is now on display outside the reading room of the Geography and Map Division at the Library of Congress.

The 60 maps in the exhibit, part of a total of 2,317 cartographic items in the Library's collections pertaining to the Civil War, show scenes of battles, bird's-eye views of troop deployments, panoramic views, and the topography of many regions of the country that were involved in the conflict. One particularly striking item in the display is an anonymous pen and ink sketch map recording the surrender of Confederate forces under the command of General Robert E. Lee on April 9, 1865, at Appomattox Court House, Va.

On the eve of the Civil War, few detailed maps existed of areas in which fighting was likely to occur. Those maps that were available were found to be woefully lacking in the accuracy and detail

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needed for war planning and field operations. Both Union and Confederate governments, therefore, were required to devote significant manpower to produce adequate maps for strategic and tactical planning, defensive preparations, logistics, and troop movements.

In the North, field and harbor surveys, topographic surveys, reconnaissances, and road traverses by Federal mappers led to the preparation and publication of maps and charts in unprecedented numbers. By 1864, the two major publishers of maps, the United States Coast Survey and the Army's Office of the Chief Engineer were furnishing some 43,000 maps for the armies in the field. Added to this were countless thousands of manuscript maps and sketches that were prepared by staff in Washington, D.C., and by topographical engineers in the field.

In the South, production of maps was considerably hampered by the lack of printing equipment, paper, ink, and trained personnel. To satisfy demands of field commanders, therefore, the Confederate Army's Topographical Department in Richmond supplied tracings made from field surveys and later successfully turned to the new process of photography to meet the needs for multiple copies.

Another valuable source of maps during the American Civil War was those issued by commercial firms. Map publishers in the North, and to a lesser extent in the South, published a rich variety of maps—from general maps of the theaters of war to detailed maps of battlefields. They were designed for sale to the general public, many of whom eagerly tracked the war, but they were also useful to the military.

The exhibit is divided into two major sections: maps for the military and maps for the people. Examples of both Union and Confederate mapping are shown in the first section; maps published for sale to the general public, including commercial battlefield maps, panoramic maps, and maps printed in the journals and newspapers of the day, are presented in the second section.

In printed, manuscript, and photoprocessed form, the maps in the exhibit convey a dramatic and immediate sense of the places—such as Fredericksburg, Chickamauga, and Shiloh—that have become familiar to generations of students of the American Civil War.

In conjunction with this exhibit, the Library of Congress is publishing a second edition of *Civil War Maps: An Annotated List of Maps and Atlases in the Library of Congress.* Compiled by Richard W. Stephenson and scheduled for release in early spring 1989, *Civil War Maps* is a comprehensive guide to one of the finest collections of United States Civil War maps in existence. Price and ordering information may be obtained by writing to: Ms. M. Wagner, Library of Congress, Publishing Office, Washington, DC 20540.

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Bruce Tapper, Editor

Library Hosts Discussion On Federal Grants for Books, Reading, Libraries

The Center for the Book in the Library of Congress and Friends of Libraries U.S.A. (FOLUSA) are cosoponsoring a symposium at the Library of Congress on Monday January 9, open to the public, "Federal Grants for Promoting Books, Reading, and Libraries—A Discussion."

The participants will be: Peggy Barber, American Library Association; Esther Mackintosh, Federation of State Humanities Councils; Evie Nordley, Minnesota Association of Library Friends; and Tom Phelps, Division of General Programs, National Endowment for the Humanities. The moderator will be John Y. Cole, Center for the Book.

The symposium is scheduled from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Dining Room A on the sixth floor of the Library's James Madison Memorial Building.

Library to Welcome ALA Meeting Attendees

The Library of Congress will extend a warm welcome to the 1989 midwinter meeting of the American Library Association (ALA), January 7–12, 1989, with a special ALA Visitors Center in the Madison Building and a Library of Congress exhibit booth at the Sheraton Washington Hotel.

The Visitors Center, located in Room LM 139 (just inside the front entrance of the Madison Building) will offer special tours, demonstrations, brochures, and the opportunity to schedule appointments with Library of Congress staff. The center will be open Monday, January 9, to Wednesday, January 11, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Special tours will be offered on the following schedule: **Overview of the Library, including Main Reading Room**—10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.; **Cataloging Areas**—

11 a.m.; **Optical Disk**—12 noon; **Preservation**—12:30 p.m.; **Machine-Readable Collections**—1 p.m. The telephone number for the center will be (202) 707-7669.

The Library will also exhibit at the Sheraton Washington Hotel in booths 3510-3514. The latest products from the Library's Cataloging Distribution Service will be demonstrated, including *CDMARC Names* and *CDMARC Subjects*, two new CD-ROM products. A Cataloging-in-Person table will offer consultation on cataloging and a copyright specialist will be on hand to answer questions and distribute forms.

For further information on the Library's activities, call the Information Office, (202) 707-2905, or the Educational Liaison Office, (202) 707-5220.

Librarian of Congress To Speak at the National Press Club

Librarian of Congress James H. Billington will speak at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C., on Thursday, January 12, on the topic, "Preserving and Sharing the National Memory."

The Librarian's talk, at 12:30 p.m., will be carried live over National Public Radio and over C-SPAN cable television.

For luncheon ticket information contact the Library's Information Office, (202) 707-2905. A limited number of tickets are available for purchase by staff on a first-come, first-served basis.

Library Issues New USMARC Publications

Two new USMARC publications, prepared by the Network Development and MARC Standards Office of the Library of Congress, are now available.

The first is titled *Format Integration and Its Effect on the USMARC Bibliographic Format*. It summarizes a USMARC format change proposal which fully integrated the USMARC formats for books, serials, archival materials, visual materials, maps, music, and computer files. (The proposal was approved by the Library of Congress and the library community in July 1988.)

Since the changes resulting from the format integration proposal will not be documented in USMARC until the summer of 1989, this interim publication is intended to help institutions do preliminary planning for accommodating the integrated format in systems. It consists of two parts. Part I presents an overview of format integration—background, definition, general model, and description of types of changes. Part II lists the integrated format fields, subfields, and values with all changes clearly highlighted.

The appendixes provide an alternative way to identify certain changes. Appendix A lists together all of the data elements that are being deleted from the format. Appendix B lists the content designators that will be made obsolete by format integration. Appendix C brings together all the additions to the format caused by format integration; Appendix D lists changes to the names of content designators. *Format Integration and Its Effect on the USMARC Bibliographic Format* is available from the Library of Congress Cataloging Distribution Service for $20 (see below for address).

The second publication, *USMARC Concise Formats for Bibliographic, Authority, and Holdings Data*, provides in a single 1-inch binder a quick reference guide to the content designators in the three separately published USMARC communication formats: *USMARC Format for Bibliographic Data; USMARC Format for Authority Data;* and *USMARC Format for Holdings Data*. For each format, the publication provides a concise description of each field, each character position of the fixed-length data element fields, and of the defined indicators in the variable data fields. Descriptions of subfield codes and coded values are given when their names may not be sufficiently descriptive. The *USMARC Concise Formats* is the third loose-leaf publication of the new USMARC documentation; the price is $40.

Both publications can be ordered from the Cataloging Distribution Service, Library of Congress, Washington, DC 20541. There will also be copies available for purchase at the Library of Congress exhibit booth at the American Library Association meetings in Washington, D.C., January 7-10.

MARC Update

January 1989 MARBI Meetings

Proposals

Seven USMARC format proposals will be considered by the ALA RTSD/LITA/RASD Committee on Representation in Machine-Readable Form of Bibliographic Information (MARBI) at its January 7-10, 1989, meetings in Washington, D.C.

The major proposal to be considered is that pertaining to the handling of classification data in the USMARC authority format.

☐ *Proposal 89-1: Additions/Changes to the Authority Format to Provide for Classification Data.* The proposal specifies the use of existing fields and newly proposed fields for authority records for the exchange of classification schedules. It focuses on the accommodation of two schedules widely used in the United States, the *Library of Congress Classification* and the *Dewey Decimal Classification*.

A second proposal also pertains to the authority format.

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☐ *Proposal 89-4: Addition of a Subfield in Field 040 in the Authority Format.* This proposal proposes the addition of subfield ‡f (Subject heading/thesaurus conventions) to field 040 (Cataloging Source) in the authority format to enable unique identification, where appropriate, of the subject heading system/thesaurus building rules used to formulate the 1XX heading.

The remaining proposals pertain to the USMARC bibliographic format and the USMARC holdings and locations format.

☐ *Proposal 89-3: Make Bibliographic Field 851 Obsolete; Additions/Changes to Holdings/Bibliographic Field 852.* This proposal recommends that field 851 (Location) be merged with field 852 (Location/Call Number). It requires adjustment of field 852 to accommodate all the 851 data.

☐ *Proposal 89-2: Changes to Bibliographic Field 850.* For field 850 (Holdings), this proposal recommends that the scope of the field be narrowed and that three subfields be made obsolete.

☐ *Proposal 89-7: Make Field 440 in the Bibliographic Format Obsolete.* This proposal resulted from a discussion paper on the topic considered at the June 1988 MARBI meetings and discussions that originated in LITA Authority Interest Group meetings at ALA. The proposal calls for making field 440 (Series Statement/Added Entry–Title) obsolete, thus requiring the use of field 490 (Series Statement) and field 830 (Series Added Entry–Uniform Title) for all traced series. The name of first indicator value "1" in field 490 would be changed to "Series traced."

☐ *Proposal 89-5: Changes in the Coding Practices of 008/07-14.* This proposal presents three options as to how to more consistently code, for all forms of material, information that is unknown or not given in character positions 07-10 (Date 1) and 11-4 (Date 2) of field 008.

☐ *Proposal 89-6: Make Eight Codes Obsolete in 008/20 for Serials.* This proposal recommends that seven specific International Serials Data System (ISDS) center codes, plus code "u - Unknown," be made obsolete in 008/20 (ISDS center) for serials.

Note: *Proposal 88-9 (Changes Needed to Fields 033 and 518),* which was approved at the June meetings, will be briefly considered because more discussion is needed regarding the recording of information following character position 12 in subfield ‡a (Formatted date/time).

Discussion Papers

Two discussion papers to be considered at the January 1989 meetings pertain to the authority format and have to do with (1) tracing fields containing data that are causing indexing problems for online cataloging systems and (2) principles for defining note fields. Three discussion papers pertain to the bibliographic format. These review (1) the usefulness of 008/38 (Modified record), (2) Leader/06 (Type of record) considerations, and (3) how to handle multiple versions relationship data.

Documentation

For specifics on the dates, times, and locations in which the proposals and discussion papers will be discussed, please contact Sally H. McCallum, chief, Network Development and MARC Standards Office, Library of Congress, Washington DC 20540; or call (202) 707-6237. The proposals and discussion papers are available from the Cataloging Distribution Service (CDS), as part of the subscription service *USMARC Format: Proposed Changes.* A one-year subscription to this service consists of four mailings and costs $50. For the 1988 subscription year, CDS is offering a half-year subscription, which includes the last two of the four 1988 packets (containing the proposals and discussion papers described or mentioned above) for $20. For further information, write CDS, Library of Congress, Washington DC 20541; or call (202) 707-6100.

AMERICAN TREASURY

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This week's question, drawn from the CBS News "American Treasury" series, produced in cooperation with the Information Office, and broadcast each weekday at 3:57 p.m. (EST) on the CBS Television Network, is:

Who said, "I'd rather be right than be President?"

The answer to last week's question is:

In 1908, the length of the marathon race was lengthened by one mile and 365 yards so that the finish would end in front of the box of King Edward VII in a London stadium.

STAFF NEWS

Combined Federal Campaign Surpasses Record Goal

Among those celebrating at the CFC victory reception were Melissa Dadant, CFC head coordinator (left), Ralph Oman, CFC vice chair, and Mary Ginevra, a CFC keyworker from Descriptive Cataloging.

The Library of Congress exceeded its goal of $215,000 for the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) by more than $10,000. Library employees donated $226,637 to the annual fund-raising effort among Federal workers, exceeding last year's record donations of $197,000 by more than 10 percent.

At a November 29 victory celebration for CFC keyworkers and eagle award winners (employees who donated more than one percent of their salaries), Librarian of Congress James H. Billington, chair of the campaign, thanked all participating Library staff members who "led the charge." He attributed the success of the campaign to the hard work of coordinators and keyworkers, the generosity of staff members, and the sense of community and spirit of creativity that flourishes in the Library.

"The Library can be proud—we set an optimistic goal for ourselves and proved our mettle by reaching it," said Ralph Oman, Register of Copyrights and vice chair of the campaign.

Renault King Honored for 30 Years of Service

Renault F. King, senior projects assistant, Special Services Section, Photoduplication Service, completed 30 years of Federal service on November 7. The occasion was marked by a reception in the Special Services Section on November 16, which was attended by many of Mr. King's coworkers. Also on hand to honor Mr. King for his contributions were Myron B. Chace, head, Special Services Section; Philip B. Kline, retired head of the section; Mary Ann Ferrarese, assistant chief for bibliographic services; and Norman J. Shaffer, chief, Photoduplication Service.

A graduate of Anacostia High School, Mr. King served for four years in the Air Force before joining the staff of the Library of Congress in 1962 as a laborer in the former Buildings and Grounds Division. In 1963 he was promoted to the position of supply clerk and messenger in the Photoduplication Service.

In his more than 25 years with the Photoduplication Service, Mr. King received promotions to mail clerk, supervisor of the mail unit, and projects assistant. He was promoted to his current position as senior projects assistant in March 1983.

Mr. King's job performance and accomplishments were recognized by an incentive award in 1984, a quality increase in 1985, and an outstanding performance evaluation and special achievement award this year.

Marzella Rhodes Earns 25-Year Service Award

Marzella Rhodes, a supervisor in the MARC Editorial Division, received her 25-year Federal Service Award pin in July. Henriette D. Avram, assistant librarian for processing services, honored Ms. Rhodes in a meeting in the department office.

Originally from the Washington, D.C., area, Ms. Rhodes began her career in the Library of Congress in 1962 as a clerk-typist in the Catalog Maintenance and Publication Division. In 1963, she became a library assistant in the National Referral Center. This job was followed by three years of experience as a "writer-up," again in the Catalog Maintenance and Publication Division. Ms. Rhodes worked for the Shared Cataloging Division from 1968 through 1976 as a processing assistant in the German Section, and moved in 1977 to the Name Authority Conversion Section of the MARC

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Editorial Division as a verifier. She has been a unit supervisor for the past four years.

Ms. Rhodes has been very active with AFSCME Local 2477 in the Library. She has served as a steward, chief steward, and president.

She received an incentive award in 1977 and a special achievement award in 1986; both of these awards related to the production of high quality authority records. Recently, she earned a quality step increase for her outstanding performance as a supervisor.

Ellen Bryant Retires

Ellen Bryant, special assistant to the chief of the Rare Book and Special Collections Division, has retired after more than 36 years of Federal service with the Library of Congress.

A native of College Park, Md., Ms. Bryant moved to Cobb Island in southern Charles County, Md., when she was 14 years old, and in 1951 graduated from the La Plata (Md.) High School.

Ms. Bryant's Library career began in the Disbursing Office in 1951. She also worked in the Orientalia Division (now the Asian Division) from 1956 to 1961 and again from 1968 to 1975. She was the first secretary of the Near Eastern and African Law Division and served in that position from 1961 to 1966. She worked in the Book Section of the Copyright Office from 1966 to 1968. In 1975 she joined the staff of the Rare Book and Special Collections Division, where she stayed until her retirement.

Although Ms. Bryant carries with her many fond memories of her years at the Library, some stand out above others, such as being within arm's reach of three very distinguished visitors to the Library: Queen Elizabeth II and Prince Philip in the mid-1950s, and not long after, Mary Pickford, the noted silent-screen star. She also remembers delivering Herbert Putnam's savings bonds to him while he was Librarian Emeritus.

Ms. Bryant received Outstanding Performance Ratings in 1968, 1978, 1985, and 1988; Quality Increases in 1978 and 1985; and Meritorious Service Awards in 1980, 1986, and 1988.

The Rare Book staff honored Ms. Bryant at a luncheon in the Whittall Pavilion attended by family and friends. Peter VanWingen, acting chief of the division, presented Ms. Bryant with a retirement certificate, a Meritorious Service Award in recognition of 36 years of dedicated service, a book of signatures of friends and coworkers, and a hand-painted bowl filled with flowers.

On Ms. Bryant's retirement agenda are a cross country trip by motor home next summer, and attending some of the Winston Cup automobile races. She also plans to work with her husband in his general contracting business. She will continue to reside in Pomfret, Md.

Staff Activities

Enikő Molnár Basa, a cataloger in the Serial Record Division, is the author of an article titled, "The National Epic as a Retelling of History," published in *Neohelicon* (vol. 14, no. 2), a journal for comparative literature studies published in Budapest and Amsterdam. Dr. Basa's study examines two authors' intentions to teach and inspire through the example of a literary reworking of history and myth. The works discussed are the 17th-century epic, *A Szigeti veszedelem,* by Miklos Zrinyi, and the Toldi trilogy and *Buda halala,* by the 19th-century author, Janos Arany. The article was based on a paper read at the Colloquium of the International Comparative Literature Association, held at the University of Sussex, U.K., in 1985.

Ralph E. Ehrenberg, assistant chief, and **Richard W. Stephenson,** specialist in American cartographic history, both of the Geography and Map Division, presented a joint public lecture at the Sumner School on September 26. Mr. Stephenson discussed the creation of L'Enfant's original plan for the city of Washington and Mr. Ehrenberg described the plan's implementation by Andrew Ellicot, Nicholas King, and other early surveyors. Sponsored by the Octagon Museum of the American Institute of Architects in conjunction with its exhibit, "Creating the Early Federal City," these talks concluded a series of four public lectures on the history and development of Washington, D.C.

On November 9–10, Ralph Ehrenberg presented a paper titled, "National Map Collections and Their Relationship to the Profession: The Geography and Map Division of the Library of Congress," at the Congress of Cartographic Information Specialists Associations, which was held at the Newberry Library, Chicago, Ill. The congress focused on the theme of professional cooperation, and consisted of a series of discussion sessions on such topics as the objectives of each map library group and their publications programs, the relationship of national map collections and the map library profession, the role of the map collection in the research library community, and the education of map librarians.

Louis Fisher, specialist in the Government Division, Congressional Research Service (CRS), and

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Frederick M. Kaiser, specialist in American national government, CRS, are the authors of articles which appeared in the September issue of *The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science.* Dr. Fisher's article is "Foreign Policy Powers of the President and Congress"; Mr. Kaiser's article is "Congressional Oversight of the Presidency." **Roger H. Davidson,** a former senior specialist in CRS, is special editor of the issue and author of the lead article, "'Invitation to Struggle': An Overview of Legislative-Executive Relations."

Frederick Kaiser also participated in several panels at a symposium titled, "National Security Process: The Making of National Strategy for the 1990s and Beyond," sponsored by the National Defense University (NDU) on December 1 and 2. Mr. Kaiser was a discussant in a panel that focused on the inherent tension between the executive and legislative branches in national security policymaking and he also delivered a paper titled, "Congress and National Security Policy: Evolving and Varied Roles for a Shared Responsibility." The panels followed plenary sessions, attended by about 500 executive and congressional personnel, that featured addresses by a number of national security policymakers.

In November, Mr. Kaiser was a guest speaker in an NDU course on national security policy, discussing the role of Congress and its staff in intelligence policymaking.

William J. Sittig, director of the Collections Development Office, and **E. Christian Filstrup,** chief of the Overseas Operations Division, participated in the annual meeting of the South Asia Center Directors, November 18–19, at the University of Texas at Austin. The focus of the sessions was on South Asian library collections and planning for national resource sharing after U.S.–India Fund rupees are no longer available. Mr. Sittig affirmed the commitment by the Library of Congress to continue to develop strong South Asian collections to support its own research needs as well as those of the national and international scholarly community. He mentioned that the Library is presently examining the relationship of the South Asia collections to its total collections and will welcome participation in a national cooperative collection development effort in this area. Mr. Filstrup led a discussion among center directors and bibliographers on ways to strengthen ties between the field office and the American academic and library communities, and retrospective projects that would fill large gaps in holdings of pre-1961 vernacular literatures. Mr. Filstrup distributed reports from an acquisitions database that analyze the New Delhi field office's acquisitions in terms of format, country of publication, and subject. All agreed that this automated acquisitions program renders the data necessary to effective resource sharing.

While at the university library, Mr. Sittig also spoke at a forum sponsored by the Professional Staff Affairs Committee.

Alexander Tscherny, acquisitions librarian in the Hispanic Acquisitions Section of the Exchange and Gift Division, was a guest speaker at the 1988 International Book Fair of Guadalajara, Mexico, in November.

Mr. Tscherny, president of the Washington Metropolitan Chapter of REFORMA, the National Association to Promote Library Services to the Spanish Speaking, spoke about the activities of his organization and emphasized its current project—the preparation of a comprehensive guide of publishers and distributors of Spanish-language and Hispanic materials in the United States.

Mr. Tscherny also participated in a press conference in which the representatives of several U.S. library associations were interviewed by the Latin American press corps. During this conference, Margaret Chisholm, former president of the American Library Association, praised Mr. Tscherny and REFORMA for their commitment and involvement in the creation, expansion, and enhancement of library services and programs in many Spanish-speaking communities of the United States.

LCPA Election Results

The results of the Library of Congress Professional Association election of officers for 1989 are: Sarah Rouse, Motion Picture, Broadcasting and Recorded Sound Division (M/B/RS), president; Peter Vankevich, Copyright Examining Division, vice president; Barbara Rowland, M/B/RS, treasurer; and Julia Pettross, Geography and Map Division, secretary. The election was held in November, and all 1,832 members received ballots.

Meetings and Events Around the Library

Thursday, January 5

☐ "Desktop Publishing Systems," Christine Zirps, administrative officer, Federal Library and Information Center Committee (FLICC), and Noel Peterson, senior systems analyst, Automated Systems Office. LC Professional Association (LCPA). Room LA 1026C, 11:30 a.m. **For staff members only.**

Tuesday, January 10

☐ "Open Forum on Performing Arts Collections at the Library of Congress," Peter J. Fay, head of the Library of Congress Performing Arts Library at the Kennedy Center. LCPA. Room LM 642, 12:10 p.m.

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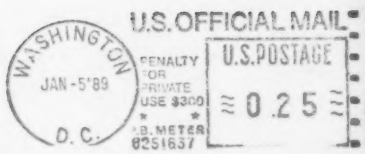

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